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Article title: Rubisco small subunits from the unicellular green alga *Chlamydomonas* complement Rubisco-deficient mutants of Arabidopsis.

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Notes S1 Expression vectors for Rubisco small subunit (*rbcS*) cassettes (see separate Notes S1.zip file). Gateway destination vector pB7WG (Karimi *et al.*, 2002) was used for stable Agrobacterium-mediated insertion into Arabidopsis. For fluorescent tag-based localisation in tobacco, *rbcS* genes were fused to a sequence encoding a GFP tag using destination vector pGWB4 (Nakagawa *et al.*, 2009), to produce C-terminally GFP-tagged fusion protein.

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Fig. S1 Transient expression of Rubisco small subunit-GFP fusion proteins in tobacco. Tobacco (*Nicotiana benthamiana* L.) was cultivated in a glasshouse (minimum 20°C, natural light supplemented to give light periods of at least 12 h). Plants were c. 21-d-old at the time of infiltration, and leaves were imaged between 2 and 7 d after infiltration. Native ($1A_{At}$) and heterologous ($1A_{At}MOD$, $S2_{Cr}$) SSUs are shown. Magenta and green signals are chlorophyll autofluorescence and GFP fluorescence respectively. Overlaid images of these signals are shown: overlaps are white. Bar, 25 μ m.

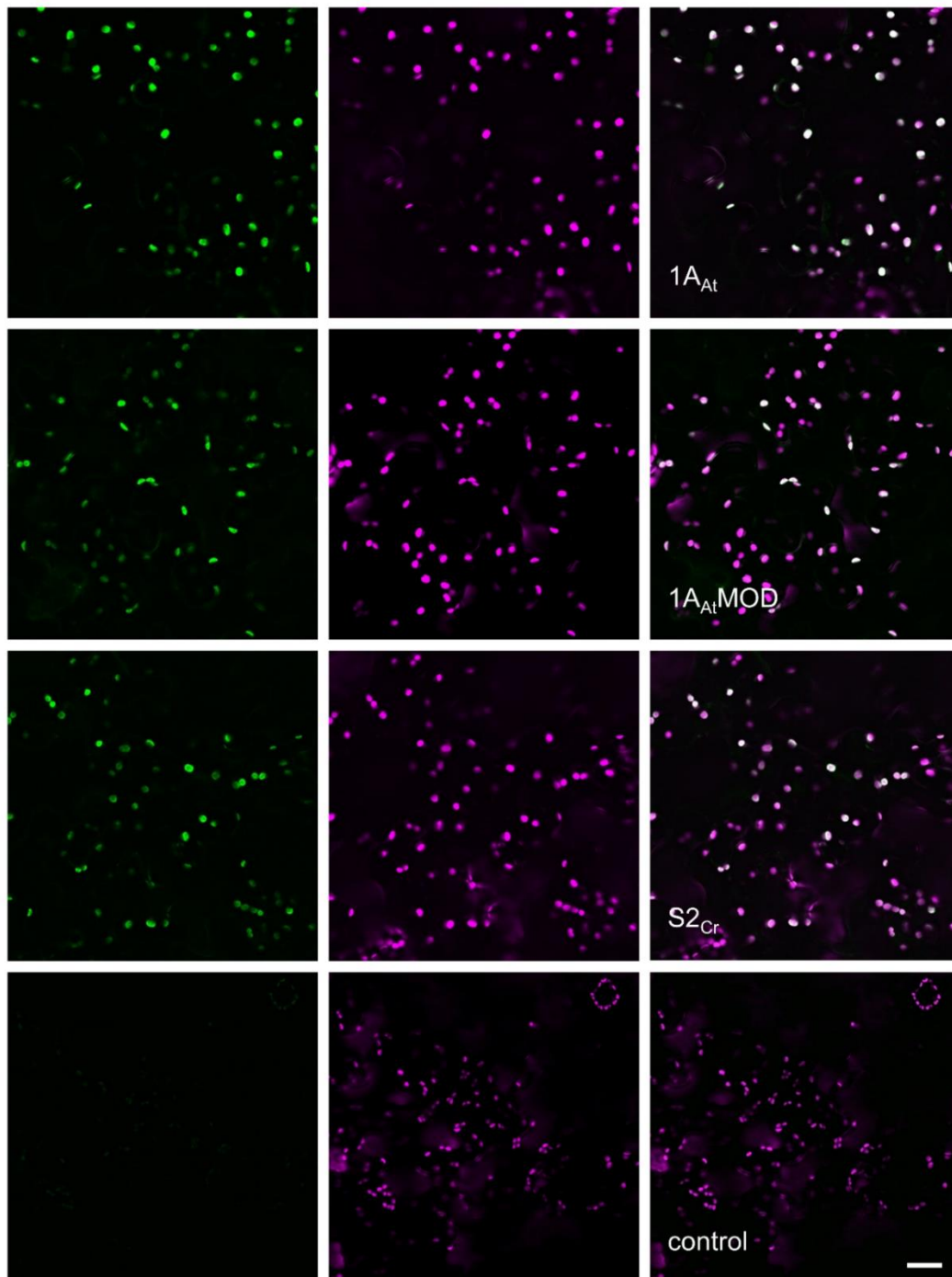


Fig. S2 Impact of native and heterologous SSUs on photosynthesis and growth in the *Arabidopsis thaliana* mutant *1a3b* background. Transgenic lines were screened in the T₂ segregating generation (1:2:1) for differences in growth and maximum quantum yield of PSII (F_v/F_m) relative to *1a3b* mutants and wild-type plants. Values are shown for 45 individual rosettes of wild-type and *1a3b* genotypes, and 15 individual rosettes from each of 6 different transgenic lines (i.e. 90 plants) for 1A_{At}, 1A_{At}MOD and S2_{Cr} genotypes.

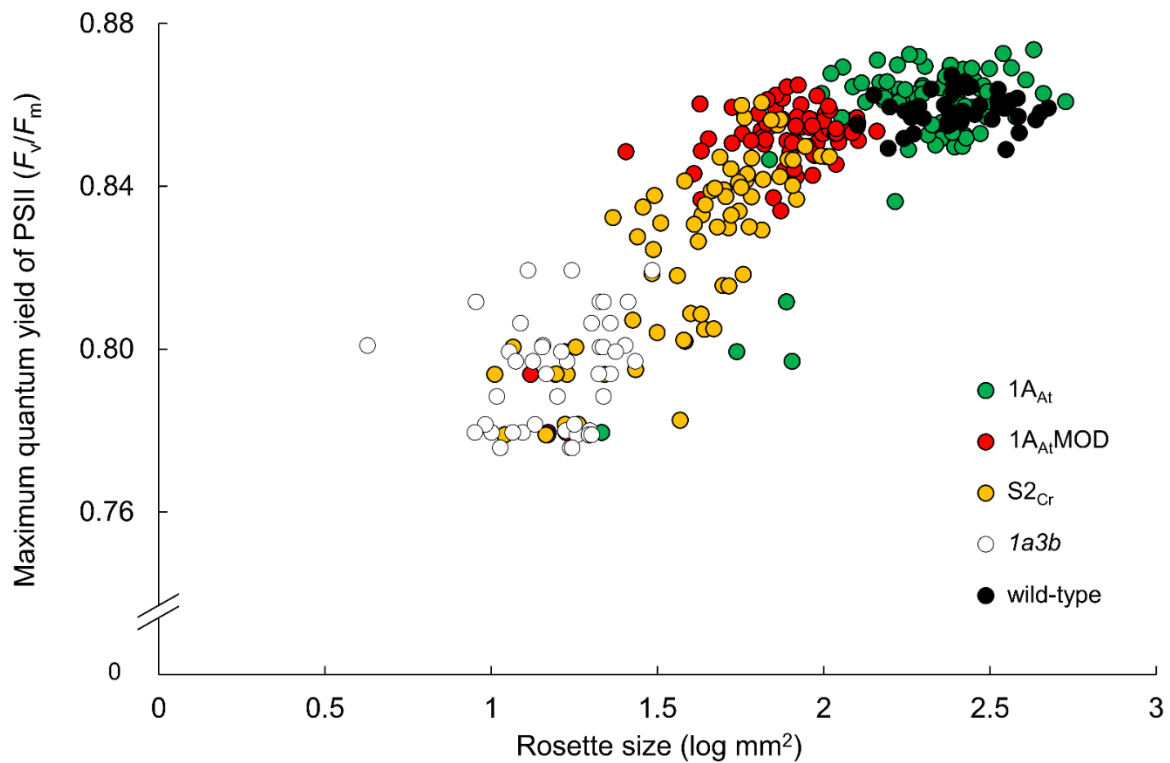


Fig. S3 Alignment of the mature *Arabidopsis thaliana* SSU amino acid sequences. The two α -helices A and B are highlighted in grey. Differences in amino acid residues between SSUs are in bold and underlined for rbcS1A (1A). Absence of residues is indicated with a dash, and non-conservative differences are marked with a star. Peptides for rbcS1A, rbcS1B (1B), rbcS2B (2B) and rbcS3B (3B) correspond to At1g67090.1, At5g38430.1 At5g38420.1 and At5g38410.1, respectively.

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2B      MKVWPPIGKKKFETLSYLPDLSDVELAKEVDYLLRNKWIPCVFEFELEHGfVYREHGNTPG
3B      MKVWPPIGKKKFETLSYLPDLSDVELAKEVDYLLRNKWIPCVFEFELEHGfVYREHGNTPG
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1A      PSFTG-
1B      PSFTDA
2B      PSFTEA
3B      PSFTEA
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Table S1 Sequences of synthetic oligonucleotides used in this study.

Primer ID	Forward primer	Reverse Primer	Amplicon	Reference
rbcS1A (GABI_608F01)	CCATAAGGAAAGGGCCAAGT	CATTGTCCAGTACCGTCCATC	980 bp	signal.salk.edu/tdnaprimers.2.html
rbcS2B (GABI_324A03)	TGGGTTCTCTTGTTCATCAG	CACTTGTTGCGGAGAAGGTAG	1066 bp	signal.salk.edu/tdnaprimers.2.html
rbcS3B (SALK_117835)	TTTTTAAGAGCATCTCGAATCTA TCTC	CACTTGTTGCGGAGAAGGTAG	1160 bp	signal.salk.edu/tdnaprimers.2.html
SALK T-DNA (left border)	ATTTTGCCGATTTTCGGAAC	-	-	signal.salk.edu/tdna_FAQs.html
GABI T-DNA (left border)	ATATTGACCATCATACTCATTGC	-	-	www.gabi-kat.de/duplofaq/confirmation-strategy.html
rbcS1A (RT-qPCR)	AATTTCCGGACTTAACGTTTGTT T	CATCAGACAGTTGAGAATCCGATA GA	69 bp	(Izumi <i>et al.</i> , 2012)
rbcS1B (RT-qPCR)	GCCAAAGTGAAAAAAGTGAAGG TT	AAGAGCAGAAATGAAGTGATATGA ATAGA	83 bp	(Izumi <i>et al.</i> , 2012)
rbcS2B (RT-qPCR)	ACCCATTTCTATGTGGTCAATGC	TTCACTTTCAAACAATAGTTCCTC AAC	80 bp	(Izumi <i>et al.</i> , 2012)
rbcS3B (RT-qPCR)	CCTATTGTCTGTGTTCTTTTCTC TTTATG	TCAAGACGCACGGATATATAAATT ACA	99 bp	(Izumi <i>et al.</i> , 2012)
rbcL (RT-qPCR)	GATGGGCTTACCAGCCTTGA	CTGGAACGGGCTCGATGT	61 bp	(Izumi <i>et al.</i> , 2012)
1A _{At} and 1A _{At} MOD (RT-qPCR)	TCATTGCCTACAAGCCACCA	CCGCGGGATATCACCACCTT	85 bp	This work
S2 _{Cr} (RT-qPCR)	GTGCAGATCATGGGCTTCCT	TACACGGAGCGCTTGTTGG	77 bp	This work
PP2A (RT-qPCR)	TAACGTGGCCAAAATGATGC	GTTCTCCACAACCGCTTGGT	61 bp	(Czechowski <i>et al.</i> , 2005)
At4g26410 (RT-qPCR)	GAGCTGAAGTGGCTTCCATGAC	GGTCCGACATACCCATGATCC	81 bp	(Czechowski <i>et al.</i> , 2005)
UBQ10 (RT-qPCR)	AGAACTCTTGCTGACTACAATAT CCAG	ATAGTTTTCCCAGTCAACGTCTTA AC	107 bp	This work

Table S2 Transcript abundances of the Rubisco gene family in *rbcs* mutants and transgenic lines of *Arabidopsis thaliana*. Abundances of *rbcS1A*, *rbcS1B*, *rbcS2B*, *rbcS3B* and *rbcL* transcripts were quantified using RT-qPCR with gene-specific primers (Table S1). Values are the means \pm SE of measurements made on three 28-d-old rosettes (as shown in Fig. 2). For each subunit, letters above the means \pm SE indicate significant difference ($P < 0.05$) as determined by ANOVA followed by Tukey's HSD tests. Values followed by the same letter are not statistically significantly different.

	wild-type	1a3b	1a2b	1A _{At} -1	1A _{At} -2	1A _{At} -3	1A _{At} MOD-1	1A _{At} MOD-2	1A _{At} MOD-3	S2 _{Cr} -1	S2 _{Cr} -2	S2 _{Cr} -3
<i>rbcS1A</i>	42.8 $\pm 1.2^a$	0.08 $\pm 0.03^b$	0.05 $\pm 0.02^b$	0.02 $\pm 0.01^b$	0.02 $\pm 0.01^b$	0.02 $\pm 0.01^b$	0.02 $\pm 0.01^b$	0.02 $\pm 0.01^b$	0.04 $\pm 0.03^b$	0.04 $\pm 0.02^b$	0.02 $\pm 0.01^b$	0.02 $\pm 0.01^b$
<i>rbcS1B</i>	8.1 $\pm 0.2^a$	5.7 $\pm 1.6^a$	9.8 $\pm 1.7^a$	6.4 $\pm 2.5^a$	10.3 $\pm 2.3^a$	9.8 $\pm 2.2^a$	8.2 $\pm 1.4^a$	6.9 $\pm 1.8^a$	4.6 $\pm 3.5^a$	4.7 $\pm 2.8^a$	7.7 $\pm 1.6^a$	9.7 $\pm 2.4^a$
<i>rbcS2B</i>	20.9 $\pm 2.7^b$	34.0 $\pm 1.3^{ab}$	0.01 $\pm 0.01^c$	30.8 $\pm 8.8^{ab}$	22.3 $\pm 5.2^{ab}$	36.3 $\pm 9.8^{ab}$	43.3 $\pm 8.4^a$	21.4 $\pm 5.3^b$	19.1 $\pm 3.4^b$	33.7 $\pm 3.9^{ab}$	42.1 $\pm 4.3^a$	34.7 $\pm 6.3^{ab}$
<i>rbcS3B</i>	28.2 $\pm 3.9^a$	2.1 $\pm 0.8^b$	31.7 $\pm 10.6^a$	0.3 $\pm 0.1^b$	0.1 $\pm 0.1^b$	3.1 $\pm 0.9^b$	0.5 $\pm 0.4^b$	0.4 $\pm 0.2^b$	0.5 $\pm 0.2^b$	0.5 $\pm 0.4^b$	0.2 $\pm 0.1^b$	0.1 $\pm 0.1^b$
<i>rbcL</i>	100 $\pm 6.1^a$	48 $\pm 6.1^c$	45 $\pm 2.1^c$	86.2 $\pm 7.7^{ab}$	94.5 $\pm 4.7^{ab}$	109 $\pm 12^a$	95.0 $\pm 3.6^{ab}$	82.8 $\pm 9.2^b$	92.1 $\pm 4.4^{ab}$	98.3 $\pm 2.1^a$	94.3 $\pm 5.2^{ab}$	91.5 $\pm 2.1^{ab}$
1A _{At}	-	-	-	45.1 $\pm 1.8^a$	45.7 $\pm 4.2^a$	43.3 $\pm 1.4^a$	-	-	-	-	-	-
1A _{At} MOD	-	-	-	-	-	-	42.3 \pm 2.1 ^a	46.7 $\pm 0.7^a$	47.1 $\pm 3.3^a$	-	-	-
S2 _{Cr}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	39.2 $\pm 1.7^a$	42.2 $\pm 1.5^a$	42.5 $\pm 0.8^a$

Table S3 Rubisco and soluble protein contents for *rbcs* mutants and transgenic lines of *Arabidopsis thaliana*. Rubisco content was determined via ^{14}C -CABP binding, subunit ratios were estimated by immunoblotting. Values are the means \pm SE of measurements made on leaf samples from three 32-d-old rosettes (as shown in Fig. 3) followed by letters indicating significant difference ($P < 0.05$) as determined by ANOVA followed by Tukey's HSD tests. Values followed by the same letter are not statistically significantly different.

	WT	1a3b	1a2b	1A _{At} -1	1A _{At} -2	1A _{At} -3	1A _{At} MOD-1	1A _{At} MOD-2	1A _{At} MOD-3	S2 _{Cr} -1	S2 _{Cr} -2	S2 _{Cr} -3
Total Rubisco (g m ⁻²)	0.86 $\pm 0.05^a$	0.26 $\pm 0.08^e$	0.42 $\pm 0.06^{de}$	0.86 $\pm 0.7^a$	0.58 $\pm 0.06^{bcd}$	0.48 $\pm 0.1^{bcd}$	0.53 $\pm 0.04^{bcd}$	0.61 $\pm 0.1^{abcd}$	0.76 $\pm 0.08^{ab}$	0.56 $\pm 0.07^{bcd}$	0.47 $\pm 0.07^{cd}$	0.66 $\pm 0.06^{abc}$
Soluble protein (g m ⁻²)	2.9 $\pm 0.2^a$	1.6 $\pm 0.2^d$	1.9 $\pm 0.1^{cd}$	2.6 $\pm 0.1^{ab}$	2.5 $\pm 0.2^{ab}$	2.4 $\pm 0.1^{abc}$	2.4 $\pm 0.1^{abc}$	2.6 $\pm 0.2^{ab}$	2.8 $\pm 0.1^{ab}$	2.5 $\pm 0.1^{ab}$	2.3 $\pm 0.1^{abc}$	2.6 $\pm 0.1^{ab}$
LSU (g m ⁻²)	0.68 $\pm 0.3^a$	0.21 $\pm 0.05^e$	0.34 $\pm 0.04^{de}$	0.67 $\pm 0.05^a$	0.45 $\pm 0.04^{bcd}$	0.38 $\pm 0.07^{bcd}$	0.42 $\pm 0.03^{bcd}$	0.48 $\pm 0.08^{abcd}$	0.59 $\pm 0.06^{ab}$	0.44 $\pm 0.06^{bcd}$	0.37 $\pm 0.05^{cd}$	0.52 $\pm 0.05^{abc}$
Total SSU (g m ⁻²)	0.2 $\pm 0.01^a$	0.05 $\pm 0.01^e$	0.09 $\pm 0.01^{de}$	0.18 $\pm 0.02^{ab}$	0.13 $\pm 0.01^{bcd}$	0.11 $\pm 0.03^{bcd}$	0.12 $\pm 0.01^{bcd}$	0.15 $\pm 0.03^{abc}$	0.18 $\pm 0.02^{ab}$	0.12 $\pm 0.02^{cd}$	0.1 $\pm 0.01^{cd}$	0.15 $\pm 0.01^{abc}$
LSU: SSU (g: g)	3.4 $\pm 0.2^a$	3.9 $\pm 0.2^a$	3.8 $\pm 0.2^a$	3.8 $\pm 0.3^a$	3.4 $\pm 0.2^a$	3.3 $\pm 0.2^a$	3.6 $\pm 0.2^a$	3.2 $\pm 0.3^a$	3.2 $\pm 0.2^a$	3.9 $\pm 0.3^a$	3.7 $\pm 0.2^a$	3.5 $\pm 0.3^a$
Native SSU (g m ⁻²)	0.2 $\pm 0.01^a$	0.05 $\pm 0.01^e$	0.09 $\pm 0.01^{cd}$	0.18 $\pm 0.02^{ab}$	0.13 $\pm 0.01^{bc}$	0.11 $\pm 0.03^{cd}$	0.04 $\pm 0.01^e$	0.05 $\pm 0.01^e$	0.04 $\pm 0.01^e$	0.07 $\pm 0.01^{de}$	0.06 $\pm 0.01^e$	0.08 $\pm 0.01^{de}$
Heterologous SSU (g m ⁻²)	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.07 $\pm 0.01^{bc}$	0.10 $\pm 0.03^{ab}$	0.14 $\pm 0.02^a$	0.05 $\pm 0.01^c$	0.04 $\pm 0.01^c$	0.06 $\pm 0.01^{bc}$

Table S4 Rosette area and biomass for *rbcs* mutants and transgenic lines of *Arabidopsis thaliana*. Values are the means \pm SE of measurements made on ten 28-d-old rosettes (as shown in Fig. 4). Letters above the means \pm SE indicate significant difference ($P < 0.05$) as determined by ANOVA followed by Tukey's HSD tests. Values followed by the same letter are not statistically significantly different. Abbreviations: FW, fresh weight; DW, dry weight; SLA, specific leaf area.

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Table S5 Chlorophyll contents and maximum quantum yield of PSII (F_v/F_m) for *rbcs* mutants and transgenic lines of *Arabidopsis thaliana*. Values are the means \pm SE of measurements made on four 28-d-old rosettes for chlorophyll and ten 28-d old rosettes for F_v/F_m rosettes. F_v/F_m is shown for attached leaves dark-adapted for 45 min prior to fluorescence measurements. Letters above the means \pm SE indicate significant difference ($P < 0.05$) as determined by ANOVA followed by Tukey's HSD tests. Values followed by the same letter are not statistically significantly different.

	WT	1a3b	1a2b	1A _{At} -1	1A _{At} -2	1A _{At} -3	1A _{At} MOD-1	1A _{At} MOD-2	1A _{At} MOD-3	S2 _{Cr} -1	S2 _{Cr} -2	S2 _{Cr} -3
Chl a ($\mu\text{mol m}^{-2}$)	185 \pm 19 ^a	82 \pm 4 ^b	205 \pm 3 ^a	179 \pm 3 ^a	158 \pm 12 ^a	197 \pm 13 ^a	209 \pm 12 ^a	176 \pm 13 ^a	181 \pm 5 ^a	174 \pm 10 ^a	202 \pm 13 ^a	173 \pm 9 ^a
Chl b ($\mu\text{mol m}^{-2}$)	59 \pm 5 ^a	26 \pm 2 ^b	62 \pm 2 ^a	59 \pm 1 ^a	52 \pm 4 ^a	63 \pm 2 ^a	62 \pm 3 ^a	60 \pm 2 ^a	61 \pm 2 ^a	52 \pm 3 ^a	63 \pm 2 ^a	57 \pm 1 ^a
Chl a+b ($\mu\text{mol m}^{-2}$)	245 \pm 24 ^a	108 \pm 5 ^b	267 \pm 3 ^a	239 \pm 3 ^a	211 \pm 16 ^a	260 \pm 15 ^a	271 \pm 15 ^a	235 \pm 15 ^a	242 \pm 4 ^a	225 \pm 13 ^a	265 \pm 14 ^a	231 \pm 9 ^a
Chl a/b ratio	3.1 \pm 0.1 ^a	3.2 \pm 0.1 ^a	3.3 \pm 0.1 ^a	3.0 \pm 0.1 ^a	3.0 \pm 0.1 ^a	3.1 \pm 0.1 ^a	3.4 \pm 0.1 ^a	2.9 \pm 0.1 ^a	3.0 \pm 0.2 ^a	3.4 \pm 0.1 ^a	3.2 \pm 0.1 ^a	3.0 \pm 0.1 ^a
F_v/F_m	0.854 \pm 0.001 ^a	0.764 \pm 0.008 ^b	0.856 \pm 0.01 ^a	0.850 \pm 0.001 ^a	0.85 \pm 0.002 ^a	0.85 \pm 0.001 ^a	0.846 \pm 0.002 ^a	0.841 \pm 0.002 ^a	0.852 \pm 0.001 ^a	0.846 \pm 0.001 ^a	0.848 \pm 0.001 ^a	0.849 \pm 0.001 ^a

Table S6 Photosynthetic nonphotochemical quenching capacity for *rbcs* mutants of *Arabidopsis thaliana*. Total NPQ was measured after 45 min exposure to high light ($600 \mu\text{mol photons m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$) and after 1 h darkness. Rapidly relaxing NPQ (NPQ_{slow}) and slowly relaxing NPQ (NPQ_{fast}) were quantified according to Griffiths & Maxwell (1999). Values are the means \pm SE of measurements on individual leaves from three different rosettes, followed by letters indicating significant difference ($P < 0.05$), as determined by ANOVA followed by Tukey's HSD tests. Values followed by the same letter are not statistically significantly different.

	WT	1a3b	1a2b
NPQ capacity	3.39 ± 0.32^b	4.33 ± 0.28^a	2.19 ± 0.21^c
% NPQ _{fast} (qE)	1.84 ± 0.11^b (55%)	3.39 ± 0.4^a (78%)	0.72 ± 0.25^c (32%)
% NPQ _{slow} (qI)	1.55 ± 0.32^a (45%)	0.94 ± 0.28^c (22%)	1.47 ± 0.1^b (68%)

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